



## Population health needs beyond ratifying the Kyoto Protocol: A look at occupational deprivation

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### Abstract:

The dramatic impact of climate change is physically and economically affecting the world, a consequence of neglecting scientific information known since the 1960s and 1970s. International discussion has focused on the needs of the physical environment and general health concerns (such addressing greenhouse gas production and population health issues); however, little acknowledgement has yet been made of local human issues, such as the effect of climate change on the mental health of those in rural communities. This commentary takes an occupational science perspective to describe new ways of classifying potential mental health problems associated with climate change and its impact on the rural environment. It challenges policy makers to take a proactive approach to addressing the current impacts of climate change on the future mental health of individuals in rural communities.

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### Resource Description

#### Exposure :

weather or climate related pathway by which climate change affects health

Unspecified Exposure

#### Geographic Feature:

resource focuses on specific type of geography

Rural

#### Geographic Location:

resource focuses on specific location

Global or Unspecified

#### Health Impact:


specification of health effect or disease related to climate change exposure

Mental Health/Stress

**Mental Health Effect/Stress:** Mood Disorder

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**Population of Concern:** A focus of content

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populations at particular risk or vulnerability to climate change impacts

Workers

**Resource Type:** 

format or standard characteristic of resource

Policy/Opinion

**Timescale:** 

time period studied

Time Scale Unspecified